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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of **Neville John HAZELL, David WALL, Peter TERRIBILI, Olivier GAUTHERON, Jose CHESNOY, and Gerard BOURRET**

OPTICAL DISPERSION COMPENSATION
Our Ref. Q62781

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 13 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 4 sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

Please see attached preliminary amendment before calculating Government filing fee.

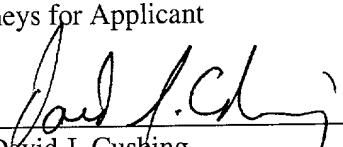
The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	23	-	20	=	3	x	\$18.00	=	\$54.00
Independent claims	4	-	3	=	1	x	\$80.00	=	\$80.00
Base Fee									\$710.00
TOTAL FEE								\$844.00	

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$844.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from February 1, 2000 based on Great Britain Application No. 0002286.3. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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